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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6008

BILL NUMBER: HB 1235

NOTE PREPARED: Oct 23, 2006

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Jury Pay Fund.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Grubb

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: Local

Summary of Legislation: This bill allows a county to use unencumbered money in a jury pay fund to maintain and improve the jury system in the county.

Effective Date: July 1, 2007.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues: This bill would **not** create new revenues or require added expenditures for counties. Any unused monies would be available for other expenses related to the jury system.

Background Information: The jury pay fund receives revenue from two sources: a \$2 jury fee in each action in which a defendant is found to have committed a crime, violated a statute defining an infraction, or violated an ordinance of a municipal corporation; and a \$2 fee when infractions or ordinance violations are deferred. The jury pay fund is used to supplement the cost of paying jury fees.

The following table compares the jury fee revenues with the per diem costs for grand jurors and petit jurors for the past six calendar years.

Jury Fee Revenue and Per Diem Costs for Grand Jurors and Petit Jurors						
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Jury Fee Revenue	\$1,228,885	\$1,195,297	\$1,316,202	\$1,230,779	\$1,217,919	\$1,261,655
Per Diem Costs	\$3,409,630	\$3,023,503	\$2,867,623	\$2,786,866	\$2,755,303	\$1,912,742

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: Trial courts.

Information Sources: *Indiana Judicial Reports*, 2000 through 2005.

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